10 August 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Congressman Rodino on the Radio Free Europe Bill

- 1. On 10 August 1965, Mr. J. Garner Cline, Staff Director, House Subcommittee on Immigration, and the undersigned met with Congressman Rodino to present to him a proposed rewording of his bill to obtain citizenship for certain RFE and Radio Liberty employees. This was a follow up to a previous meeting with the Congressman at which time he had stated that he would like to see new wording for his bill in order to meet his objective and that of the Agency.
- 2. The attached proposed new bill was presented to Mr. Rodino, and he stated that he felt that this would be satisfactory and asked Mr. Cline to take the necessary steps to see that a new bill with that wording would be introduced by Mr. Rodino in the next week or so.
- 3. Mr. Cline suggested that after the bill was introduced and a report is received from CIA, that such report could probably be used as the Congressman's statement concerning the bill without identifying CIA and that it would be his suggestion that the bill be brought up in the second session of the 89th Congress rather than at present since the Administration's immigration bill has top priority. Mr. Rodino agreed and stated that he felt that the bill should not be brought out of the committee until after the Administration's bill had passed the House. He felt that his new bill would not be brought out before the second session of the 89th Congress. Mr. Cline further suggested that as a matter of

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strategy to insure that the new bill would be passed, it should be brought to the floor of the House under a suspension of rules after consultations were had by Congressman Rodino with the leadership of the House on both sides of the aisle.

4. The above information was given to

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